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**METHODS AND KITS FOR ASSAYS OF RAPID SCREENING
OF DIABETES**

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Diagnosing latent form of diabetes mellitus - by administering glucose and testing for its period presence in tears after specified period, using indicator paper

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Latent form of diabetes mellitus is diagnosed more efficiently as follows. The patient is given orally a soln. of glucose in amounts of 1 g/kg of wt. on empty stomach. After 60-90 min., optimally 75 min., the conc. of glucose in tears is determined using the indicator paper 'Biofan '. A strip of paper is placed under the lower eyelid, and the edge of wet patch inspected for a colour change. The change from yellow to green-blue indicates that the patient has latent form of diabetes mellitus.

ADVANTAGE - Simpler and quicker diagnosis is achieved. Bul.1/7.1.90 (2pp Dwg.No. 0/0)

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